

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111  
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board; and (c) a third process where said board is softened by heating, placed on a forming tool, and formed by cooling under a pressure.

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Please ~~add~~ the following new claim:

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3. (New) The method for producing an intermediate product according to claim 1, wherein in said first step (a) said plurality of sheets made of said fiber-reinforced composite are heated at a temperature of 20-100°C under a pressure of 0.1 to 10 kg/cm<sup>2</sup>, and cooled at a temperature of 10-30°C under a pressure of 0.1 to 10 kg/cm<sup>2</sup>; and in said third step (c) said board is softened by heating at a temperature of 60-100°C for 10-90 minutes placed on the forming tool, and formed by cooling at a temperature of 0-50°C under a pressure of 0.1-10 kg/cm<sup>2</sup>.